

(C) THE COMMISSION MAY RECEIVE AND ACCEPT, AND THE SIGNATORY PARTIES MAY MAKE, LOANS, GRANTS, APPROPRIATIONS, ADVANCES, AND PAYMENTS OF REIMBURSABLE OR NONREIMBURSABLE FUNDS OR PROPERTY IN ANY FORM FOR THE CAPITAL OR OPERATING PURPOSES OF THE COMMISSION.

ARTICLE 14

PLAN, PROGRAM AND BUDGETS

14.1. COMPREHENSIVE PLAN. —THE COMMISSION SHALL DEVELOP AND ADOPT, AND MAY FROM TIME TO TIME REVIEW AND REVISE, A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR THE IMMEDIATE AND LONG RANGE DEVELOPMENT AND USE OF THE WATER RESOURCES OF THE BASIN. THE PLAN SHALL INCLUDE ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROJECTS AND FACILITIES WHICH ARE REQUIRED, IN THE JUDGMENT OF THE COMMISSION, FOR THE OPTIMUM PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT, CONSERVATION, UTILIZATION, MANAGEMENT, AND CONTROL OF THE WATER RESOURCES OF THE BASIN TO MEET PRESENT AND FUTURE NEEDS. THE COMMISSION MAY ADOPT A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OR ANY REVISION THEREOF IN SUCH PART OR PARTS AS IT MAY DEEM APPROPRIATE, PROVIDED THAT BEFORE THE ADOPTION OF THE PLAN OR ANY PART OR REVISION THEREOF THE COMMISSION SHALL CONSULT WITH WATER USERS AND INTERESTED PUBLIC BODIES AND PUBLIC UTILITIES AND SHALL CONSIDER AND GIVE DUE REGARD TO THE FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE VARIOUS AGENCIES OF THE SIGNATORY PARTIES, THEIR POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS, AND INTERESTED GROUPS. THE COMMISSION SHALL CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARINGS UPON DUE NOTICE GIVEN WITH RESPECT TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PRIOR TO THE ADOPTION OF THE PLAN OR ANY PART OF THE REVISION THEREOF, EXCEPT THAT PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROJECTS AND FACILITIES WHICH, IN THE JUDGMENT OF THE COMMISSION, ARE NOT REQUIRED FOR THE OPTIMUM PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT, CONSERVATION, UTILIZATION, MANAGEMENT, AND CONTROL OF THE WATER RESOURCES OF THE BASIN AND WHICH, IN THE JUDGMENT OF THE COMMISSION, WILL NOT SIGNIFICANTLY AFFECT THE WATER RESOURCES OF THE BASIN, MAY BE ADDED DIRECTLY TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AT ANY TIME AT THE DISCRETION OF THE COMMISSION WITHOUT PUBLIC HEARING THEREON. THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN SHALL TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THE EFFECT OF THE PLAN OR ANY PART THEREOF UPON THE RECEIVING WATERS OF CHESAPEAKE BAY.

14.2. WATER RESOURCES PROGRAM. —THE COMMISSION SHALL ANNUALLY ADOPT A WATER RESOURCES PROGRAM, BASED UPON THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, CONSISTING OF THE PROJECTS AND FACILITIES WHICH THE COMMISSION PROPOSES TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE COMMISSION AND BY